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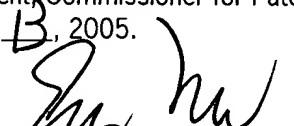
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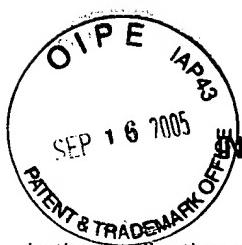
In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - a. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) (2 sheets);
 - b. Form PTO-1449 (1 sheet);
 - c. 6 cited references; and
 - d. Return Receipt Postcard.
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FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97 - 1.99, the Applicants wish to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. This Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with the continuing duty of candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.56. Copies of the required references listed on the enclosed PTO Form 1449 are also enclosed herewith. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(e), the references cited herein were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. Thus, no fee is due.

In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the listed references may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. However, the references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative relevance between references, whether cited in this or prior statements. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. Section 102 or Section 103.

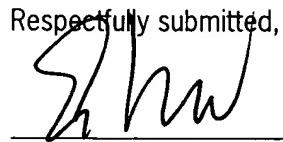
In accordance with MPEP Sections 609 and 707.05(b), it is requested that the documents cited (including any cited in applicant's specification which is not repeated on the attached Form PTO-1449) be given thorough consideration and that it be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing on Form PTO-1449. Such initialing is

requested even if the Examiner does not consider a cited document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not consider it to be prior art for any reason, or even if the Examiner does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with. This is requested so that each document becomes listed on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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	7	S.E. Kakabakos et al., "Multianalyte immunoassay based on spatially distinct fluorescent areas quantified by laser-excited solid-phase time-resolved fluorometry", <i>Clinical Chemistry</i> , Vol. 38, Nr. 3, March 1992, pp. 338-342.
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